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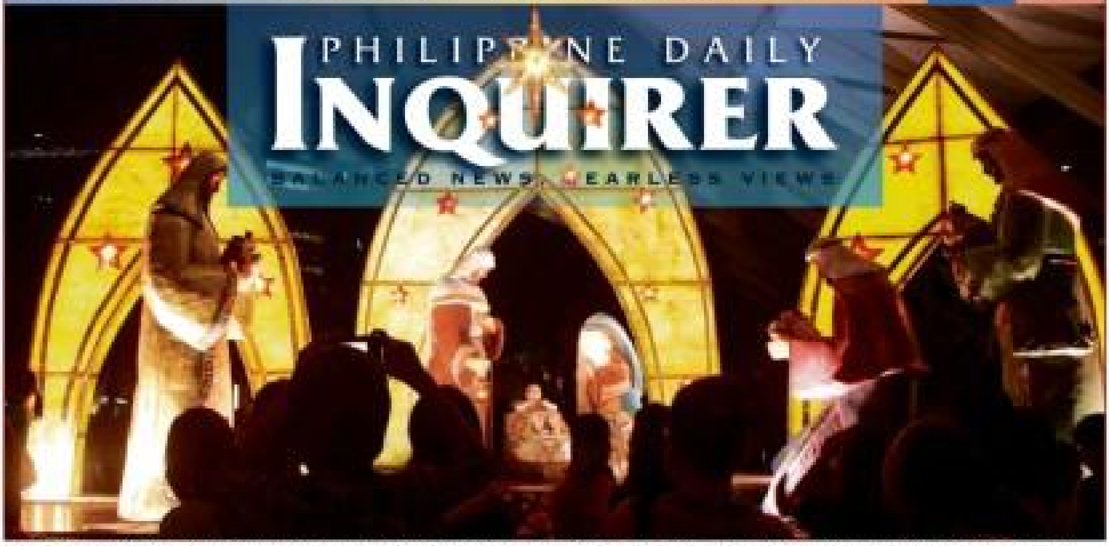

9 DAYS TO CHRISTMAS People view a nativity scene on display at the Ayala Stock Exchange in Makati City. Starting at dawn today, many Catholics will brave the chill to hear the first of the nine-day "Misa de Gallo" that ends on Christmas Eve. JOPPI KOCOLI

P-Noy declares truce with Reds

18-day holiday ceasefire starts today

By Christine O. Avendaño and DJ Yap

AMID open conflict between Malacañang and the Supreme Court and with Christmas just around the corner, President Aquino yesterday offered the public a respite from tension on another front.

Mr. Aquino announced yesterday an 18-day holiday ceasefire with the communist New People's Army (NPA) starting today.

The truce from 12:01 a.m. until midnight of Jan. 2, 2012, was recommended by Presidential Adviser on the Peace Process Teresita Deles and the Department of National Defense, Mr. Aquino told reporters.

The Armed Forces of the Philippines and the Philippine National Police later issued separate statements directing security forces to suspend offensives "in the spirit of the yuletide season" against the armed wing of the Communist Party of the Philippines (CPP).

"This will allow PNP maneuver units as well as their adver-

P-NOY / A7

BIG BUDGET President Aquino talks with Vice President Jejomar Binay as Senate President Juan Ponce Enrile looks on during Thursday's signing of the 2012 General Appropriations Act in Malacañang.

₱1.8-trillion nat'l budget signed

By Christine O. Avendaño

AMID criticism from impeached Chief Justice Renato Corona that he was neglecting the economy and the poor, President Aquino yesterday signed the ₱1.816-trillion national budget for next year, saying he had not forgotten his priorities while his administration was going after those who had failed the people.

The national budget is 10.6 percent bigger than the ₱1.645-trillion budget for this year.

Shortly after signing into law the 2012 national budget, Mr. Aquino said the appropriations were "results-focused" and prioritized the administration's "social contract with the Filipino people."

He said the budget would address the people's basic needs from food and education to health.

The budget, for instance, will set aside ₱39.5 billion for the conditional cash transfer (CCT) program for three million of the poorest households in the country

P1.8-TRILLION / A11

Bishop welcomes young lovers to 'Simbang Gabi'

By Philip C. Tubeza

IT'S NICE to see young people in love going to church at dawn to attend *Simbang Gabi* or *Misa de Gallo* (Mass of the Rooster) but the church is more than just a place to see your beloved, a Catholic bishop reminded the youth yesterday.

Legazpi Bishop Joel Baylon praised the youth for continuing the tradition of attending the predawn Masses culminating on Christmas Eve, but he said they would have more lasting rewards if they went to these services more than just to get a chance to

SIMBANG GABI / A20

Corona starts forming top-notch defense team

By Marlon Ramos and TJ Burgonio

CHIEF JUSTICE Renato Corona has begun forming the legal team that will handle his defense at the impeachment trial that is to start in mid-January at the Senate.

A number of "top-notch" lawyers have offered their legal services to Corona for free, Jose Midas Marquez, the Supreme Court administrator and spokesperson, said yesterday.

But Marquez denied reports that veteran lawyer Estelito Mendoza, who occasionally serves as legal counsel of former President Gloria Macapagal-Arroyo, would lead the Chief Justice's defense.

Earlier yesterday, the Senate formally summoned Corona to respond to the articles of impeachment filed by the House of Representatives against him.

Senate Sergeant at Arms Jose Balajadia, accompanied by staff members of the chamber, brought the summons that included a copy of the 57-page verified complaint to Corona's office.

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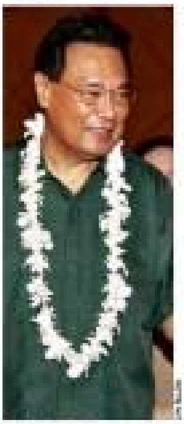

HE THOUGHT of resigning, Chief Justice Corona tells government lawyers attending a convention at a Manila hotel on Thursday.

'The Protester' Time's person of the year

NEW YORK—"The Protester" was named Time magazine's person of the year on Wednesday, a tribute to those bringing change across the Arab world as well as anticorporate greed demonstrations in the United States and Europe.

Time said it was recognizing protesters because they were "redefining people power" around the world.

"There's this contagion of protest,"

THE PROTESTER / A7

IN HONORING "The Protester," Time magazine cites dissent across the Middle East reshaping global politics.

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Aquino: It's Corona who is the dictator

By Norman Bordadora

LOOK WHO'S talking, who's the dictator?

A day after he was accused of attempting to establish a dictatorship, President Aquino yesterday said Chief Justice Renato Corona was being impeached because he had been dictating how government should be run with the Supreme Court's changing interpretations of the law.

"Well, perhaps, that is their position. Let's look at whose actions show whatever," the President told reporters in Malacañang when asked about Corona's allegations that he was dismantling the constitutional system of check and balance among the three branches of government.

"Isn't it when we go to the court, we expect ... fairness and certainty in the law. So, if that

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Ill-fated plane's owner surfaces

By Tina G. Santos and Paolo Montecillo

THE OWNER of the light plane that crashed into a Parañaque neighborhood last Saturday has surfaced and will appear in the investigation being conducted by the Civil Aviation Authority of the Philippines (CAAP), according to an aviation official.

Hold departure order

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Fishers say no to fish imports

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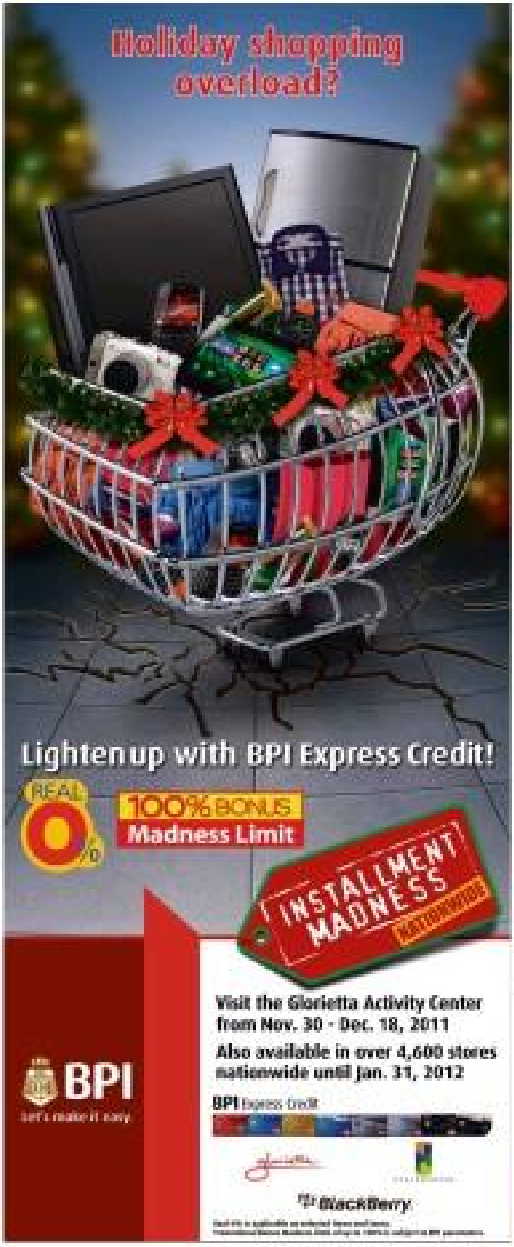

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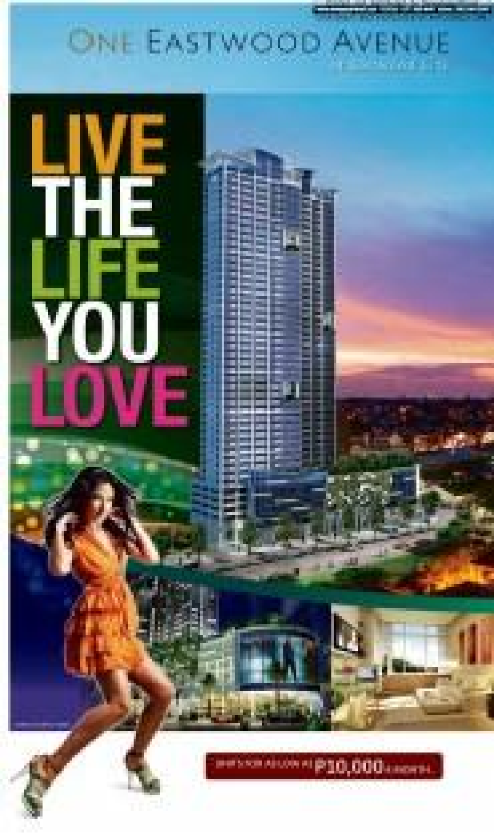

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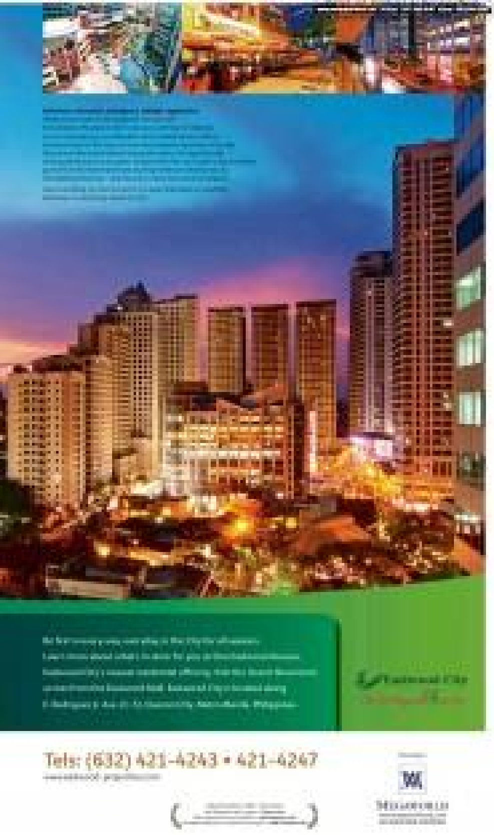
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The 63rd anniversary of the Universal Declaration of Human Rights reminded us that we still have much to do in advancing the cause of human rights

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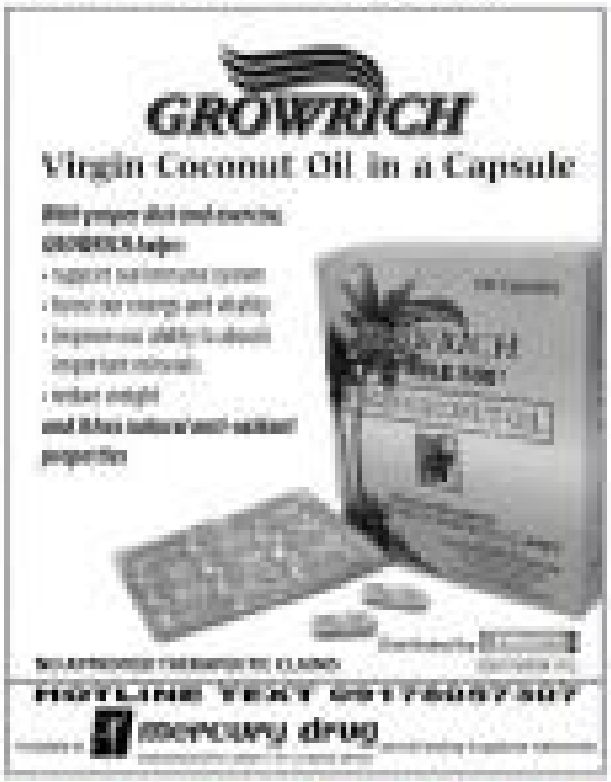
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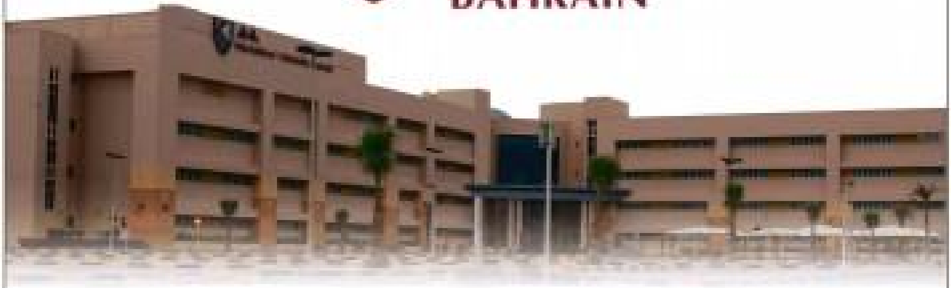

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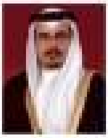

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I congratulate the government and people of the Kingdom of Bahrain and join them in commemorating the accession to the throne of King Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khalifa and in celebration of Bahrain's National Day. Bahrain is a long standing friend of the Philippines, a benevolent host to Filipino workers and a generous benefactor of Muslim communities in the Philippines, in Bahrain and elsewhere. I look forward to further strengthen this partnership as we work together in achieving our common goals.

DR. AMABLE R. AGUILUZ V, OBA
Special Envoy of the President to the Gulf Cooperation Council

As we commemorate the 12th anniversary of His Majesty King Hamad's accession to the throne and the 40th anniversary of National Day of the Kingdom of Bahrain, I wish to express my warmest congratulations and compliments to H.E. Ambassador Amable R. Aguiluz V and to the Honorary Consulate of the Kingdom of Bahrain in the Republic of the Philippines, for their untiring effort, dedication and devotion to assist Bahraini citizens in the Philippines and the Government of the Kingdom of Bahrain to promote the mutual benefit of our two countries and peoples. I am confident that the excellent friendship and cooperation between our two countries will continue to flourish in the years to come.

H.E. AMBASSADOR ADEL YOUSIF SATER
Non-Resident Ambassador of the Kingdom of Bahrain to the Republic of the Philippines

On this occasion, I pray that the Almighty grant long life, good health and success to His Majesty King Hamad Bin Isa Al-Khalifa, H.R.H. Prime Minister Prince Khalifa Bin Salman Al-Khalifa and Crown Prince H.R.H. Salman Bin Hamad Isa Al-Khalifa as they continually strive to bring further progress, prosperity and peace to the Kingdom and its people. May the excellent relations between the Philippines and the Kingdom of Bahrain continue to flourish as each country pursues its national vision and goals.

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Across the NATION

Groups say 100 seized pit bulls sold, given away

SAN PEDRO, Laguna—Animal welfare groups expressed alarm over the turnover to unidentified private owners of more than 100 pit bulls that were seized from an illegal dog fight club in Cavite, saying the dogs are dangerous.

KEY LINK

Aussie kidnap: Wife protests execs' secrecy

Vice mayor survives 2nd slay try

Mob attacks, burns CamNorte mining office

'The group started to shout and asked us to leave...'

DIPLOMATIC INCIDENT China's Ambassador to the Philippines Liu Jianchao and Philippine Daily Inquirer president Sandy Prieto-Romualdez burst into laughter when a jacket presented to the Chinese diplomat turns out to be made in China. The ambassador visited the Inquirer's office in Makati City on Thursday.

9 in 10 Filipinos upbeat about 2012, says survey

ONLY THREE out of 10 Filipinos believe this Christmas season will be more prosperous than last year but nearly nine in 10 are upbeat about the new year, according to a recent Pulse Asia survey.

The same survey showed that there are fewer Filipinos now, compared to last year, who believe a more prosperous Christmas awaits them.

The results, released yesterday, were part of the November 2011 Ulat ng Bayan national survey conducted by Pulse Asia.

According to the results, 51 percent of 1,200 respondents said their Christmas this year would be no different from last year. Thirty-two said it would be more prosperous while 15 percent said a poorer Christmas is in store for them.

A similar survey last year had said 38 percent believed their Christmas would be more prosperous.

In this year's survey, big decreases were noted in the percentage ...

Same as before

Pulse Asia asked the respondents to complete the statement, "For your family, the coming Christmas will be..." They were made to choose from "more prosperous than last year," "the same as last year" and "poorer than last year."

The noncommissioned survey conducted from Nov. 18 to 28 used face-to-face interviews and had an error margin of plus-minus 3 percentage points at the 95 percent confidence level.

Except in Mindanao, the majority of the respondents in all geographic areas ...

Facing 2012 with hope

Despite continuing economic difficulties, 88 percent said they looked forward to 2012 with hope ...

The respondents were asked, "Will you face the coming year with..." They were made to choose from "with hope," "with apprehension," and "without hope and without apprehension."

... The figures on the new year outlook at the national level and across geographic areas and socioeconomic classes basically remained unchanged from last year, the poll showed. *Ana Roa, Inquirer Research*

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... He praised the youth for continuing to vigorously attend the predawn Masses despite ...

Hearts into mangers

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With a report from ...

Joker hits Palace veto of provision on debt cap in 2012 nat'l budget

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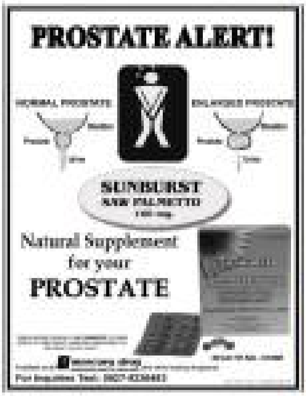

Senators to use various methods to maintain objectivity

Open mind

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His own man

Corona starts forming top-notch defense team

Chief Justice says he thought of resigning

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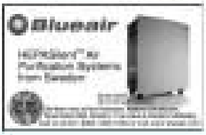

PARAÑAQUE CITY PRISON BREAK

6 jail guards charged

PDEA destroys ₱21.5-M drug ingredients

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2 bodies found

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Obama praises troops at end of Iraq war rite

US President Barack Obama greets troops at Fort Bragg in North Carolina on Dec. 14. The visit is seen as marking the end of the Iraq war with a tribute to the troops who fought and died in a conflict Obama opposed from the start.

Accounts of a massacre, saved from junkyard flame

By Michael S. Schmidt

Putin ally resigns as speaker of parliament

GRYZLOV

Traitor in UK, Philby hailed as 'great spy' in Moscow

BRITISH double agent Kim Philby's widow Rufina Pukhova at the presentation of a Philby's biography in Moscow, on Dec. 1.

China vows crackdown after revolt

Nearly 1 in 5 women in US survey report sexual assault

The WORLD

Syrian Army defectors ambush Assad soldiers

BEIRUT—Syrian military defectors killed at least eight members of the security forces on Wednesday in an ambush near the city of Hama, in central Syria, according to opposition groups.

After rampage, Belgium asks, 'Why?'

LIEGE, Belgium—A card at a memorial to the victims asked the question haunting all of Belgium: "Why?"

WikiLeaks suspect's trial near super-secure NSA

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Paul lands in 'other' LA /A35

BEST COLLEGE FIVE San Sebastian's overachieving Stags celebrate their trail-blazing victory over UAAP champion Ateneo.

Stags trim Eagles for PCCL title

BEST COACH Topex Robinson enjoys personal double.

POC must look into unliquidated NSA advances—Go

QF duels too close to call

Petron tangles with Meralco, Ginebra battles ROS tonight

Davao Norte, MisOr finals clash shapes up in Panabo

Stags trim Blue Eagles for PCCL championship

Run like the wind and beat them

ONE GAME AT A TIME

Sev Sarmenta

Mariners, Blue Thunder down NCRAA caging foes

80 fights in 'Kalawit' derby at Pasay today

Gems fuel outright semis bid, rip Bakers

Etheridge makes Premier League debut

Paul lands in 'other' LA

Clippers pair all-star guard with rim-rattling Griffin

Westwood's 60 paces Thai golf

PHILIPPINE GOLD

Big men Nene, Gasol stay with their teams

Subic run puts focus on advocacy

Poulter shoots 65, leads Aussie Open

Ikeda eyes PH Ladies Open repeat win

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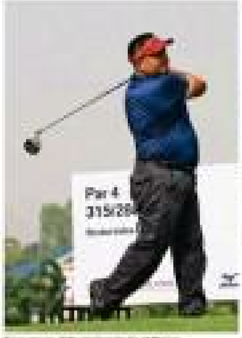

Asian Carmakers Corporation, exclusive distributor of BMW in the Philippines, extends its congratulations to those who've made it through the National Finals, and supports those advancing to the World Finals!

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Men's Division Class B
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Rudy Fernan – 1st RUNNER UP
Bernardo Cruz – 2nd RUNNER UP

Women's Division
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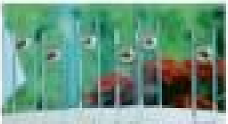
Mary Ann Reyes – 1st RUNNER UP
Eleanor Leung – 2nd RUNNER UP



The champions of each division will be sent to play the BMW Golf Cup International World Finals at Sentosa Golf Club in Singapore from March 5 – 10, 2012. This leg of the tournament promises to be the most exciting one yet, so BMW invites you to wish them luck, and experience BMW's central precept—JOY: the joy of competition, victory, and camaraderie.

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BUSINESS

Ayala bags 1st PPP road project

₱2-B Daang Hari-SLEx link

THE AYALA group has bagged the ₱2-billion Daang Hari-South Luzon Expressway link road, the very first infrastructure-building project auctioned by the Aquino administration under the much-awaited public-private partnership (PPP) framework.

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INDICATORS

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Stocks end lower

October remittances hit record $1.8B

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Tanduay Holdings completes ₱1.68-B equity sale deal

Widening public float to meet 10% requirement

Ayala bags . . .

GLOBE LAUNCHES IPHONE 4S

October remittances hit $1.8B

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HYUNDAI LAS PIÑAS: A MULTI-AWARDED PERFORMANCE OF AUTOMOTIVE LEADERSHIP

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A ROSTER OF AWARDS

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- **2007 Hyundai Elite Dealer Award**
- 2008 Award of Excellence in Vehicle Sales Champion
- 2008 Best in Parts Wholesale Performance: Metro Manila
- 2008 Dealer Excellence Award
- 2009 Best in Parts Wholesale Performance: Metro Manila Dealer
- 2009 Dealer Excellence Award
- 2010 Award of Excellence in Vehicle Sales Wholesale Performance
- 2010 Best in Vehicle Sales Performance Metro Manila Dealer
- 2010 Dealer Excellence Award
- **2010 Dealer of the Year Award**

The New Face of an Automotive Leader

True to its vision to be the leading dealer of Hyundai automotive products and services, Hyundai Las Piñas is a newly enhanced dealership housed in a 5,000 sq. meter area in Southern Metro Manila. Since true leadership can only be defined by results, Hyundai Las Piñas has attained leadership status with its consistent delivery of excellent results, a feat evident in the roster of awards given to the team. Through its effective management and unified objective of achieving customer satisfaction, Hyundai Las Piñas is one of the first few dealerships to be elevated to the Hyundai Elite Dealer status in 2007. Since then, it continues to earn more achievements including the highly prized Dealer of the Year Award in 2010.

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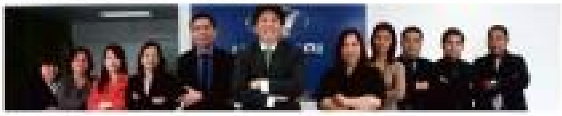


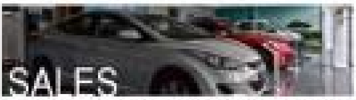
Building a Legacy

In response to the growing demand for Hyundai vehicles in the country, Hyundai Las Piñas is part of a fast-growing dealership team under the Chongbian Group of Companies. Along with recently opened branches in Hyundai Alabang Muntinlupa in 2010, and Hyundai San Pablo earlier this year, Hyundai Alabang Inc. will soon open satellite branches in Tanauan, Muntinlupa and Lucena City. The enterprise will continue to provide the highest quality of products and services to its customers, with Hyundai's technological innovations in its vehicle line-up, parts and after-sales services.

The showroom of Hyundai Las Piñas showcases an impressive display of Hyundai's current line-up of automobiles including the Grand Starex, Grand Starex Limousine, Tucson, Santa Fe, Sonata, Elantra, Accent, i10, as well as the Genesis Sport Coupé model.

Hyundai Las Piñas has attained leadership status with its consistent delivery of excellent results, a feat evident in the roster of awards given to the team.

Hyundai Las Piñas is located at Alabang-Zapote Road, Almanza Uno, Las Piñas City. The showroom is open for sales inquiries and transactions from Monday through Saturday, at 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM, and on Sundays at 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. The Service Center is open from Monday through Saturday from 8:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Hyundai Las Piñas may be contacted through the following numbers: (02)800-7771, (02)800-7344, (02)802-0655, (02)804-4486, (0917)869-5017 and (0922)753-1715. You can also reach them through e-mail at hlpcrm11@hyundai-alabang.com.ph.



Customers can only expect a personalized sales experience from well-trained Sales Consultants dedicated to meeting their needs. With accommodating sales transactions, clients can choose from a variety of automobile options that match their different lifestyles.

With the goal of nurturing current Hyundai customers, Hyundai Las Piñas offers Jet Service, the "express lane" in after-sales service that completes regular check-up, oil change and preventive maintenance and heavy and minor mechanical repairs that guarantees efficient and reliable results. Hyundai Las Piñas provides top quality service with state-of-the-art equipment and facilities through well-trained certified service personnel. Customers can also avail of unit pick-up and delivery services.

The Parts Department effectively and efficiently supports the Sales and Service Departments with Hyundai Genuine Parts and Accessories, keeping a comprehensive warehouse inventory of certified stocks and offering them at competitive prices.

"I hope that Hyundai Las Piñas will rise up to the challenge of maintaining a competitive edge in providing its customers with top-quality vehicles and excellent service. With its present line-up of remarkable automobiles, we could all look forward to see Hyundai play a major role in revitalizing the automotive industry in the Philippines. Congratulations!"

Mark A. Villar
Congressman
Las Piñas City

"With Hyundai Las Piñas' excellent implementation of Phase 2 of Hyundai's Dealer Enhancement Program (DEP 2), they are a true Hyundai Dealer Network Ambassador in every way, embodying Hyundai's Modern Premium values: creative and caring. Simply because of their uniquely creative in their passionate pursuit of excellence and innovation in building the Hyundai brand and caring because of their quick, friendly, efficient attention to every customer's concern."

Ma. Fe Perez-Agudo
President & CEO
Hyundai Asia Resources, Inc.

BUSINESS

Unemployment situation eased slightly in Oct.

But rise in number of unpaid workers seen as key concern

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WB maintains financial, tech support to PH

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BUSINESS Friday

A lady ready to rock or tame an ad agency

Bistro Group expands

Noel Bazaar turns 11

Local truck body builder assembles shuttle van

'Marketing! Do something about carbon emission'

Dr. Ned Roberto & Ardy Roberto

Nido Petroleum to tap over 2B barrels of oil

Aussie firm to identify drilling targets in SC 54

Chinatrust to delist, buy back shares

Government betrayal of farmers

COMMENTARY

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People, Events & Products

SMART REWARDS PINOY SEAFARER WITH ISUZU CROSSWIND

Globe awards special BridgeCom SIM card to partner communities

Meralco customers help send kids to school by lighting up their homes

Singapore Embassy now accepting scholarship applications

Going bananas for a good cause

Dumlao new country head of BNP Paribas

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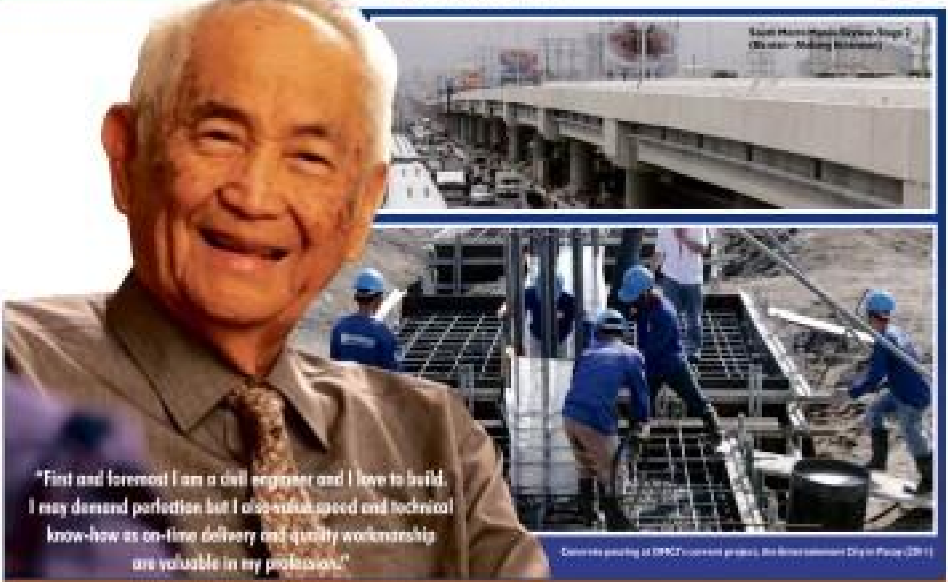
Die Cast and Custom Car Show at MegaMall

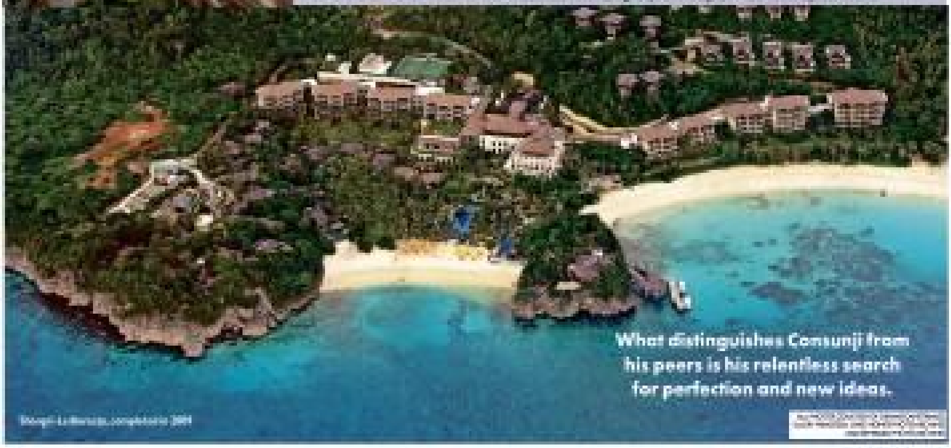


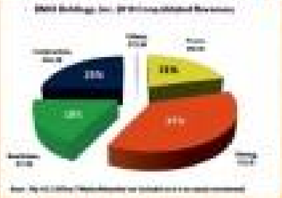
DAVID M. CONSUNJI AT 90:

Game changer, innovation leader

Dreaming Big

Prudent





Working together for economic growth

BACK when Consunji started, he was already dreaming big that after just a few years, his company would become one of the most sought-after builders and the trusted name behind some of the country's landmark chapels, multi-story hotels and condominiums, large commercial complexes as well as irrigation dams, kilometer-long concrete bridges and skyways, power plants, transmission lines and industrial plants.

DMCI Holdings is one of the fast rising conglomerate in the country today.

Construction

Real estate

Mining

Power

Water

'Malasakit'

A Running Theme in Consunji's Lifework

ONE might think that working with cement, steel bars, and massive cranes for decades would turn a person into a cold and inflexible automaton, yet for all his successes in the hard-hat field of engineering and construction, David M. Consunji is well known for his strong sense of "malasakit."

In the words of fellow UP alumnus Jose Abueva about Consunji's core values, this isn't the tendency of "going along merely to get along" or dysfunctional pakikisama that some Filipinos fall into. In Consunji's memoir, *A Passion to Build*, Abueva recalled Consunji's beginnings around the time that the engineer was involved in constructing the iconic dome chapel in UP Diliman. It was the mid-1950s and the young engineer had just composed a creed guided by principles like "public good," "serving humankind," "fair competition," and "construction as a noble profession."

Passion makes due diligence a matter of habit. Once, he quietly picked up surplus cement left lying around on the site, to the slight embarrassment—but understanding as well—of the engineer under him who had overlooked it. [illegible] Malasakit or [illegible] is something Consunji lived or made by example and by word.

It is a way of thinking and doing that goes beyond the self and the here and now. In the UP Diliman College of Engineering, he is revered as a "distinguished, loyal, and generous alumnus," according to Abueva. His strong insistence on learning would take official form in 2009 through the DM Consunji Technical Training Center (DMCI-CTTC), a training institution of the Consunji group of companies that provides technical training for its own people and the construction industry. It is not merely a natural progression in the development of a company but institutionalizing what the founder has been doing all these years: helping build competency and character brick by brick so that his people can contribute to nation-building.

'Malasakit' begins at home

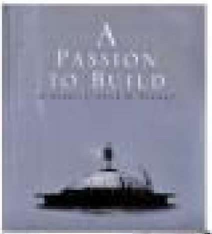
Consunji's malasakit is concrete that sometimes [illegible] roads, dams, bridges, and skyways. But the virtue finds its best form at home. "Where is Papa Con?" is the first question his grandchildren ask whenever they visit, says wife and college sweetheart, Fredy. Fredy considers her marriage to him the best decision of her life. "He remains a wonderful provider, to me he is almost a perfect husband."

He "allowed me to hope," shares Jorge Consunji, one of the children who is now president of DM Consunji, Inc., as he reflects on his father's legacy. "What began as building houses became erecting buildings, and then railways and ports. Now we just don't build houses, we create urban residential villages with [illegible] spaces and light. From construction we've gone into developing urban communities. Mining coal and nickel, constructing complex edifices, investing in utilities [illegible] to our company mission and vision, we are contributing to nation-building by creating jobs, urban communities, and sharing our bounty. Very few can claim with pride that the identity of the founder and the corporation are synonymous, as DMCI."

The company founder likes to say that the humble cement maker is his [illegible], and talks of "falling in love with construction" - words of a man [illegible] by choices and circumstances. A colleague in DMCI Mining, Cesar F. Simbulan Jr. puts it well. "Success is best measured not by the number of achievements one makes but by the number of lives one touches, and Consunji has done well in both."

The deep sense of malasakit that David M. Consunji integrated into the landmarks and structures he helped build will be remembered through generations to come.

An original artwork by Larry Alcala in 1982 for David and Fredy Consunji.



"A Passion to Build" is an autobiography of David M. Consunji published in 2004. Aside from his life and works, the book highlights Consunji's high regard for construction and builders. The book is available in select bookstores.

'Success is best measured not by the number of achievements one makes but by the number of lives one touches' —Cesar F. Simbulan Jr., DMCI Mining president

The Consunji Family (seated, from left) Rebecca Consunji, David Consunji, Fredy Consunji, Josefa C. Reyes, and Isidro Consunji; (standing, from left) Jorge Consunji, Edwina C. Laperal, Luz Consunji, Victor Consunji and Cristina C. Gotianun.

Consunji enjoys the company of family, friends, relatives, and his management team as he celebrated his 90th birthday last Nov. 6, 2011 in Shangri-La Hotel Makati.

Consunji (second from left) proclaimed as Management Man of the Year by the Management Association of the Philippines in 1994 for [illegible] engineering services.

Consunji takes his oath as Secretary of Public Works, Transportation, and Communications before former President Marcos in Malacañang, 1975.

With Pres. Noynoy Aquino

At the inauguration of the [illegible] Church

Consunji (second from left) was recognized by [illegible] at the 1993 [illegible] Award for Engineering and Applied Sciences for "progressive and pioneering expertise in construction engineering."

Responding to the challenge to serve young Filipino families

It is only fitting that such a company, maintained to engineer some of the country's most important buildings and infrastructure projects, would deliver its expertise into building the most personal and familiar of landmarks: homes and communities.

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Reasonably-priced homes

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With more residential projects opening in 2012, DMCI Homes, the leader in resort-inspired villages, continues to serve young Filipino families.

Carlo and his family is one of the many young Filipino families residing in a DMCI Homes development project.

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Well-Being and Safety

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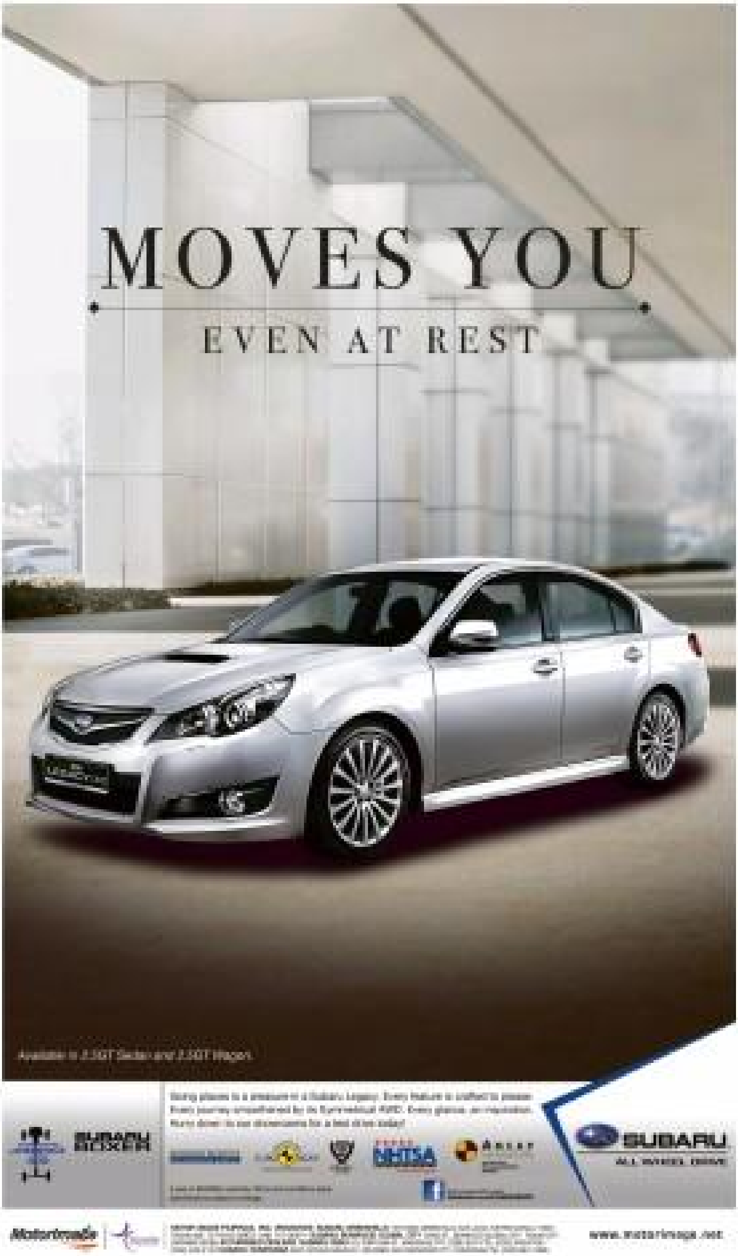
BUSINESS

Inclusion of tax evasion in crime list pushed

BIR seeks amendment to anti-money laundering law

Local consumers turn pessimistic in 4th quarter



Gov't to revitalize Clark freeport, ecozone

Local, foreign investors show keen interest

By Amy R. Remo

CLARK Development Corp. is now attracting interests of both local and foreign investors who are eyeing to make Clark their regional hub.

Local consumers turn pessimistic ...

Firm gets go-ahead to operate power plant

GSIS to give out ₱818M in dividends to members

By Ronnel W. Domingo

Pagcor posted biggest monthly winnings in Nov.

Highest ever income of P2.32B

By Doris C. Dumlao

BUSINESS

Philam Life extends deadline for "Growth Invest"

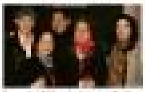
Firm gets go-ahead to operate power plant

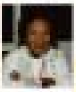
Gas-fed facility to augment Visayas supply

Power Situation Outlook

A PINOY TOUCH OF HOME IN TAIWAN

PLDT Global continues international expansion with partnership with Taiwan's Far EasTone.





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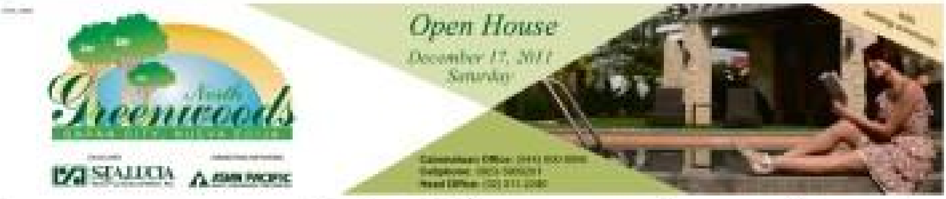

Europe debt worries prompt flight from risk

Asia Q4 corporate sentiment falls on global woes, poll says

Executives rattled by increasing costs

Business confidence falls in Japan, survey says

Opec keeps output at 30M barrels a day

IMF says Greece must move faster on reforms

Olympus shares plunge 21%

Google boosts Asia data capacity as online traffic grows

Europe debt worries prompt flight from risk

US sees trans-Pacific pact as model for free trade

BUSINESS

China manufacturing, investment hurt by crises

Troubles in Europe, United States drag on economy

AFP

US business sees hope at home, gloom abroad

AFP

Business

Cathay may soon fly out of Clark

Carrier wants direct flights to HK, other cities in China

By Paolo G. Montecillo

HONG KONG'S Cathay Pacific, one of the world's largest airlines, may soon flying out of the Diosdado Macapagal International Airport (DMIA) in Clark Freeport, Pampanga.

Clark Development Corp. president and CEO Felipe Yap said officials from the Chinese airline were in town earlier this week to discuss the possibility of daily flights from Clark.

"They are considering direct flights to Hong Kong and other cities in China. They want daily flights," he said in an interview yesterday.

The largest

If plans push through, Cathay Pacific would be the largest airline to fly out of Clark, which is being groomed as the next premiere international gateway to replace the Ninoy Aquino International Airport (Naia) in Metro Manila.

DMIA is currently used mainly by local and international budget carriers.

Cebu Pacific of the Gokongwei group has named Clark as one of its three major hubs in the country, the other two being Manila and Cebu.

Malaysian giant Air Asia, through its newly formed subsidiary Air Asia Philippines, and Southeast Asian Airlines (SEAir), have also chosen Clark for their own hubs.

Several foreign airlines also call Clark their home in the Philippines.

These include Korea's Asiana Airlines. Yap said the increase in flights to Clark would help decongest Naia, which is struggling with aging facilities and rapidly increasing passenger traffic.

More convenient

He said Clark is also a more convenient facility for people living in northern parts of Metro Manila all the way to provinces like Tarlac, Pangasinan and Ilocos, among others.

"If you look at that catchment area, it accounts for about 25 million people. If someone living there needs to take a flight out of the country it will be better to get to Clark than to go all the way to Pasay," he said.

Cathay Pacific will be taking advantage of the government's adoption of an "open skies" policy, which is part of the administration's strategy to increase tourist arrivals to the Philippines.

'Open skies'

The "open skies" policy, outlined by President Aquino in Executive Order 29 which was signed earlier this year, liberalizes the granting of international air rights for all points outside of Manila.

The government now expects to attract 10 million tourists annually to the Philippines by 2016.

This was a revision from the previous target of six million. Last year, just over three million foreigners visited the Philippines.

CATHAY Pacific explores the possibility of mounting daily flights from the Diosdado Macapagal International Airport in Clark Freeport.

People, Events & Products

Record P2.32B gaming income for Pagcor in November

The Philippine Amusement and Gaming Corporation (PAGCOR) set another record performance this year after it posted a staggering P2.32 billion winnings from its own gaming operations for the month of November alone, by far the highest gaming income ever recorded in the state-owned gaming firm's 25-year history.

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Pan de Manila puts the colors and flavors of Christmas in products and packaging

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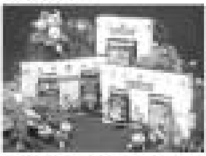

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Global fishing company breaks into value-added meat industry

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BEST WESTERN WELCOMES SCHAUB

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Korean Air offers aid to flood victims in Thailand

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WINNERS display their trophies

PH Bike Adventure Race held

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Three Become One with the New Speedo Fastskin3

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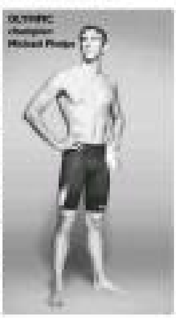

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FRIENDLY REMINDERS THIS HOLIDAY SEASON

BRIGHT NOW! DO RIGHT. BE BRIGHT.

DOE

1. Replace your old traditional holiday lights with Light-Emitting Diode (LED) light strings.
   Although they may cost more initially, LEDs use a fraction of the energy of traditional holiday lights. Plus, they last up to 20 years.

2. Before hanging holiday lights, check for damaged sockets, plugs and cords. Replace anything that looks defective.

3. Rather than adding more lights to your tree, try enhancing the existing lighting with tinsel, mirrored ornaments and other reflective items.

   Don't use light-duty flat extension cords, to power your lights.
   Instead, use heavy-gauge and marked extension cords.

4. To avoid overloading electrical circuits, never plug in more than three sets of Christmas lights to one extension cord.

   Never run electrical cords under rugs or carpets.

5. Don't let small children play with light strings.

6. If you plan to use string lights outdoors, be absolutely certain they are marked for outdoor use.

7. If you use a ladder when decorating outside, stay well away from power lines.
   The same can be said for lights; do not place them near power lines.

8. Fasten outdoor lighting securely to your home's exterior to protect the lights from wind damage.
   Use only insulated staples or plastic attachments to hold strings in place, not nails, or tacks.

9. Turn off electrical decorations before leaving home or going to bed.

Courtesy of:

Department of Energy
Energy Center, Fort Bonifacio
Taguig City

BUSINESS

EDC bond secures top grade from ratings firm

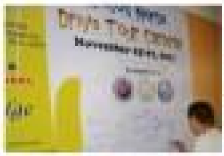
PhilRatings says EDC can maintain strong cash flow

UK anti-fraud head explores partnership with PH gov't

PLEDGE. AAP President Gus Lagman (in yellow T-shirt) taking the pledge with Ilocos Norte provincial government officials in Laoag.

It was a "Pledge, Sign, Tag" in Region 1

AAP Caravan takes the road safety pledge to Ilocos Norte



SIGN. A La Union transport leader signs the Pledge on the wall.

TAG. Lagman places a Road Safety Tag on an Ilocos Norte official.

More than 100 Automobile Association Philippines (AAP) members and friends in 37 cars joined AAP's Ilocos Norte Drive Tour Caravan last month not only to go sightseeing in Region 1, but also to gather signatures for the Decade of Action for Road Safety Pledge. The AAP Caravan to the Solid North was organized by AAP Director and Tourism Committee Chair Mina Gabor with the cooperation of Region 1 local government officials and Department of Tourism (DoT) Region 1 Director Martin Valera, who was one of her executives during her term as DoT Secretary.

Fueled by Pilipinas Shell Petroleum, which provided complimentary full tanks of gas for all the vehicles at flag-off in Manila and before leaving Laoag three days later, the 37 vehicles were divided into two groups, with the first group led by a Ford Everest SUV and the second by a Ford Focus TDCi compact hatchback. Two Ford Fiesta subcompacts served as sweep cars. Immediately behind the Everest was Mina Gabor in a Great Wall Haval SUV, followed by AAP Director Aida Sevilla Mendoza, three journalists and an AAP driver in a Hyundai Grand Starex Limousine. Next were Malaysian Ambassador and Mrs. Dato Seri Dr. Ibrahim Saad in a Mercedes-Benz E250, Pakistan Ambassador and Mrs. Mohsin Razi in a Volvo S80, Greek Ambassador Polyxeni Stefanidou and her husband, a retired war admiral, in a Nissan Teana 250XV and Brunei Ambassador Mahdi Rahman Yusof, the Embassy's Second Secretary and other staff members in a Toyota Corolla and Toyota Fortuner.

PERFECT AVENUE. The four diplomats and their entourage participated in the pledging sessions together with the local government officials, their staff and the AAP Caravan participants. During the first pledging session and the first stop at the Pangasinan Provincial Capitol Complex in Lingayen, Vice Governor Jose Ceballos said: "This advocacy initiated by AAP was a perfect avenue to promote the local tourism of Ilocos and at the same time discover the hidden treasures of the province."

The Pangasinan officials welcomed the AAP Caravan with a cultural presentation of local dances and songs and hosted lunch at the huge, newly renovated Sison Auditorium in the Capitol Complex. After Lingayen, the next stop was the La Union Provincial Capitol in San Fernando, La Union for another Road Safety Pledging led by Governor Manuel Ortega and Vice Governor Aureo Nisce, DoT Region 1 Director Valera, the Provincial Board members and transport group leaders also took and signed the pledge, after which they received from Ms. Gabor and the other AAP directors the symbolic Decade of Action for Road Safety tag designed for the United Nations as a reminder of their promise to be safe road users.

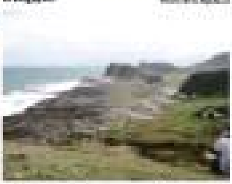
Before proceeding to Laoag to check into the Plaza del Norte Hotel, the AAP caravan made a brief stop in Vigan to take photos of Ilocos Sur's splendid historical cathedral. Early the next morning, the third and last Road Safety Pledge

AAP D3 2

BPI Family Bank and AAP Launch "Spread the Road Safety Pledge" campaign

How you can join AAP's Road Safety Campaign

AAP Caravan takes the road safety pledge to Ilocos Norte



Touring Ilocos Norte in a Bubble Top Van

By Aida Sevilla Mendoza
AAP Director

Q: How do you make green technology better?
A: By turning it Blue!

blue drive

Because everything, everyone and all we do are interconnected, Hyundai's concern for the environment has gone beyond social responsibility. It has become their vision. Caring for nature through lessening carbon emissions, consuming less fossil fuel, and exploring alternative energies are integral to Hyundai's philosophy of creating a cleaner world. But what if green technology isn't enough? How can we make it better? Hyundai's solution: make it Blue.

Q: What is Blue Drive?

Q: How will Hyundai achieve Blue Drive?

Q: What are Hyundai's latest Blue Drive engine technologies on fuel efficiency?

Q: What can we expect from the Hyundai Blue Drive in alternative fuel capabilities?

Q: What will we see in the near future from Blue Drive?

Q: What Blue Drive efforts have been made in the Philippines?

GO green. DRIVE blue.

HYUNDAI | NEW THINKING. NEW POSSIBILITIES.

Q. What is Hyundai blue drive ?

A. Blue Drive™ is an environmental initiative that supports the development of Hyundai eco-friendly technologies, not limited to hybrid vehicles and polymer batteries, but also improved aerodynamics, low resistance tires, and engine & transmission enhancements for better performance and higher fuel economy to reduce dependence on fossil fuel. Its name combines the words "Blue", emblematic of Hyundai's eco-friendly technology developments, and "Drive", representing the auto company's outstanding efforts in advanced mobility. While the green leaf in the logo symbolizes life and synergy between people and our planet Earth.

GO green. DRIVE blue.

Real-Estate Special

Rock-solid confidence

Capitol Commons to breathe life to Pasig's heart

Prime development project will foster energized economic growth

THE NEWEST mixed-use real estate development project to hit Metro Manila's landscape in a big way is Capitol Commons, heralded by property developer Ortigas & Co. as another landmark project. To rise on the 10-hectare site of the former Rizal Provincial Capitol, this project will be expected to put Pasig City firmly on the expanded metropolis' business district map.

Adjacent to the northern end of the Ortigas Business District, at the crossroads of Shaw Boulevard and Meralco Avenue, Capitol Commons is at the very heart of Pasig City, and is straddled by Quezon City in the north and Makati in the south. Its first structure, a high-end shopping mall, is targeted for completion next year.

Capitol Commons will have 35,000 square meters of prime retail space, 35,000 square meters of office space for knowledge process outsourcing companies, and over 200,000 square meters of residential units. Over 50 percent of the land area would be allocated for open spaces.

Beginnings

Capitol Commons is an integrated mixed-use development that will feature modern living spaces, office facilities, and commercial areas that showcase premium retail and entertainment selections. It is anchored by an urban park, and is intended to be the next address of change in the Ortigas Business District and Pasig City.

A comprehensive master-planning process produced a project that features stunning architecture, allowing strong and meaningful elements of Filipino culture to blend with brilliant and modern execution. The project is poised to set a new standard for modern urban development in the area.

At Capitol Commons, a range of aspirations is expected to unite families, young people, and visitors to build a vibrant new community that will pave the way for a new generation of Filipinos.

The site's master development plan calls for an investment of close to P25 billion over a period of 10 years, and will involve the construction of office, retail, residential spaces as well as cinemas, a hotel, and a park to anchor the property.

"Capitol Commons would have the first high-end shopping mall in Pasig City and we are glad to be contributing to its economic growth. In cooperation with the Pasig local government and Hon. Mayor Bobby Eusebio, Ortigas has pledged to build a road on the Meralco side of its property to essentially widen Meralco Avenue, thus easing traffic. The public would be able to benefit from a widened Meralco Avenue in the second quarter of 2012," says Jory Santos, Ortigas & Co. real estate division general manager.

Retail

Rising within Capitol Commons is Estancia, a high-end shopping mall that will house a delectable array of restaurants, service and convenience retailers, as well as unique international fashion brands. The jewel of Capitol Commons will be integrated into the central park, with connections to the rest of the development via pedestrian-friendly walkways.

Three to five floors above the shopping mall will accommodate BPO companies. Three basement level parking spaces will allow for as much as 750 slots. Estancia at Capitol Commons broke ground this December with the targeted date of completion on 2013.

Residential

Completing the residential side of the development are five premier towers designed for a privileged lifestyle consisting of fine living, amenities, and convenience. First to rise is the Royalton, having 41 residential floors, which have a mix of studio, one- and two-bedroom layouts.

Ortigas & Co. has 80 years of experience in property development and shopping center management. It is the company behind Metro Manila's well-known shopping destinations such as Greenhills Shopping Center and Tiendesitas, as well as longstanding central developments like the Greenhills Subdivision, Greenmeadows, and Valle Verde.

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Sky Lounge at The Observatory

Stellar Place

DMCI's Stellar Place posts solid sales

Swimming Pool Complex

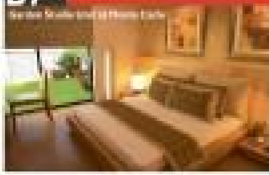
Fisher Mall set to join shopping destinations in Quezon City

Holcim fetes top Pinoy masons

PH office rental rates still low-priced

Building affordable quality homes for OFWs continues

Suntrust turns over new scouts home



The Sta. Lucia Mall

The Sta. Lucia Residenze is the newest residential community in the middle of it all, and promises to be the most luxurious and stylish address when fully built two to three years down the road.

STA.LUCIA Residenze

A Whole New World in Condo Living

Imagine a home, where you can directly go and dine at your favorite Italian pizza-pasta restaurant when you get out of the door.

Is this place "Paradise"?

The Residenze

The Newest Address is the Monte Carlo at the Residenze

Live in Luxury and Style

Superior Location and Accessibility

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MASSIMILIANO Giornetti, creative director of Salvatore Ferragamo

EXCLUSIVE

'Uniqueness is luxury's new frontier'

Ferragamo creative director Massimiliano Giornetti says, 'After years of everyone dressing identically, today's customers are willing to invest in solid items that will accompany them season after season'

By Cheche V. Moral

HOW CAN a designer know what will please the critics and keep the tills ringing at the same time—at all times?

This is a question that has nagged many a fashion industry insider in the past year, as focus has been placed on the perceived pressures imposed by luxury mega brands on the shoulders of its star designers.

Amid the hype and buzz, media speculates that big-name designers are finding it harder and harder to meet the expectations of their financiers. They're not only expected to create critically successful collections every six months—not counting pre-season collections—but bring in profits as well.

"The status quo in the world of fashion has changed a lot recently: only a few years ago, designers could still choose to live in their ivory towers and dictate trends that consumers would follow slavishly," says Massimiliano Giornetti, creative director at Salvatore Ferragamo. "It's not like that anymore."

Critics' nods

While not (yet) a star designer in the mold of Marc Jacobs, Stefano Pilati or Raf Simons, Giornetti is a veteran in global luxury fashion with a rising reputation.

The Tuscan-born Giornetti, 40, has been

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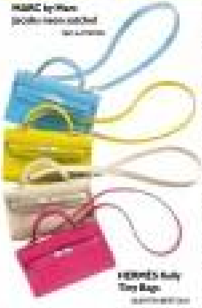
Let bags add color to your wardrobe

One key piece is all that's needed to liven up a total look. Here are five winners

MARC by Marc Jacobs ... satchel



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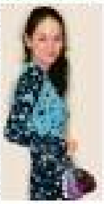

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MICHAEL Kors Gladys bag

Colorful and functional

'Uniqueness is luxury's new frontier'

Lifeblood

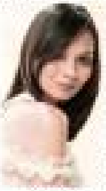
Mood change

Fast-moving

Throw a stress-free, fashionable holiday party

Keep things stylish, from fashion to food and the Christmas table

Janina Araneta-Alvarez



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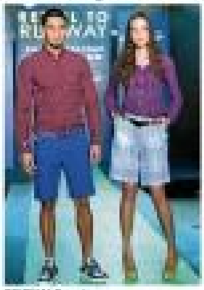
PHOTOS from Jenni Epperson's "Fashion + Food" book

Holiday looks showcased at Shangri-La Plaza fashion show



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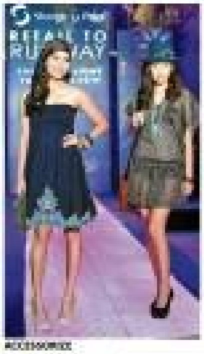

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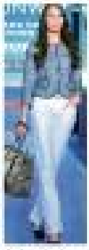

NAUTICA and The Travel Club

RUSTAN'S Accessories

Throw a stress-free, fashionable holiday party

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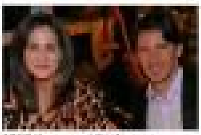
Chic, nonchalant resort wear–yes, for Christmas

Ines Delgado-Prieto–the maverick of fashion retail–has covetable picks, including Miracle Suit–a patented control fabric which sculpts 10 lb off the torso

INES Delgado-Prieto: Entrepreneur with unerring taste

THE MANNEQUIN is in a blue-and-white bandeau swimsuit with daisy fruit prints and matching cotton voile tunic. Style adviser Ines Delgado-Prieto suggests accentuating the ensemble with pearl earrings and crystal-embellished leather thong sandals. Then pile on leather bracelets as a masculine counterpoint to the ultra-feminine look.

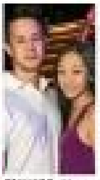


Gucci holds very exclusive party to open its new flagship store

WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH

Maurice Arcache

Photos by Alex Van Hagen



New fashion brand Siya

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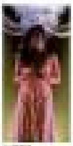

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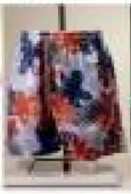

One-stop shop

Other picks

Cruise collection

A PARTYPHILE'S HOLIDAY GUIDE FROM FOREVER 21

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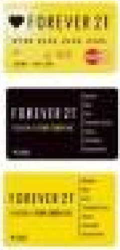

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Get all decked out in flirty, feminine pieces with plenty of pleats and frills and a shower of shimmer with sequined jackets and embellished sweaters.

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PAULO Reyes with Tony Blair

Filipino student bags Blair awards

International short film competition winner Paulo Reyes shares his entry's inspiration—and the good advice he got from the pros

LUCKY STRIPES

EDGY BASICS

IN THE HOOD

BLAZIN'

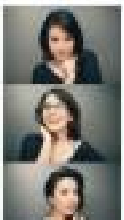
JUST OPPOSITES

'Seoul' styling

Not all of us can carry the K-pop boy band look, with matching eyeliner to boot, but there's a lot more we can pick up from our Korean friends when it comes to sharp dressing

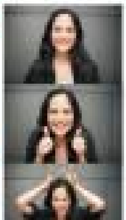
How will I fit in in school?

On finding friends and overcoming socio-economic insecurities



Vicky

Now playing:



Sarah

Seoul walker

2bU scouts the streets of South Korea's capital and finds a quirky mix of styles

Text and photos by Ronan Capili

Part two

SPOTTED

HIS AND HERS

DENIM PATROL

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VESTED INTEREST

STREET SWAG

Faith on film

From page E1

you pull through).

Why did you feel that this message was important to share, as a Filipino entering an international short film competition?

I believe this is an important point to share not just for Filipinos, but for everyone around the world. I'd also like to share the film as encouragement to the Filipino people, just because our country is going through a rough time doesn't mean that there is no God. I believe that these issues shouldn't take us away from Him, but it should bring us closer to Him.

How did your own faith influence the making of your short film?

The whole journey of this short film, from the writing, to the awards ceremony, was a journey of faith. It was a global competition with entries from the world over and there were some great entries out there.

What was the experience of winning like?

It felt great when I won, of course! The people in my category had really good entries. I am just very grateful that I won. Tony Blair is such a fine gentleman. He's very humble, and I was honored to meet him. I also had the chance to meet Lord David Puttnam. I was starstruck when I met him. He is one of the people I look up to in the industry. He told me to savor this moment well, but get back to work as soon as possible.

A JOURNALIST interviews a young boy about his sickness

PAULO Reyes in London to attend the Faith Shorts Awards ceremony

What's next for you?

Now that I'm back at home, I've already shifted to work mode. It was great winning the competition, but doing nothing won't get me to my next competition. I do plan to make more films, with faith possibly being a recurring theme. I see myself making more films. I don't think I'm going to stop anytime soon. I'd like to do this fulltime and hopefully get a nice job right after graduating.

What's your advice to fellow film students and budding filmmakers?

The best way to start working towards becoming a filmmaker is to start making films. One can tell stories through a whole variety of mediums, but the best way to start is to actually take that first step and just do it. Passion is required if you want to master your craft. And always try to stay inspired. Go out for a nice walk, talk to people, read books. And finally stay humble. Talent can get you places, but it's character that will keep you there.

Middle book syndrome

By Raul S. De Vera

DYSTOPIA GETS darker as the story goes on. Ally Condie's Matched trilogy which hit the ground running with 2010's "Matched," was a promising, gripping book. Of all the ambitious young adult series that tried to follow in the boot prints of Suzanne Collins' Hunger Games books, "Matched" came the closest without actually straight-out copying elements from Collins' trilogy, the final chapter of which will be in theaters next year.

The biggest difference was that "Matched" was more a romance with a sci-fi setting rather than being sci-fi books with romantic subplots, which the Hunger Games books were. That quality is carried over to the second book in "Crossed" (Dutton Books, New York, 2011, 367 pages).

In the future, everything is controlled by the powerful Society, even who you'll marry (you are Matched when you're 17) and when you die (everyone dies at 80 whether they like it or not). During her Matching ceremony, Cassia Reyes was delighted to see the handsome face of her friend Xander Carrow... but then the image changed and she saw instead the enigmatic visage of Ky Markham. But unlike Cassia who is a Citizen, Ky is an Aberration, someone who does not belong in the Society. Cassia wants to just undo her feelings and tries to stick to the plan, but she can't forget Ky.

Now, Ky has been banished to the dreaded Outer Provinces to die. But Cassia, determined to be reunited with Ky, gets herself declared an Aberration so that she can be sent to the Outer Provinces as well. But will she be able to get there in time? No one ever comes back from the Outer Provinces.

"Crossed" lets the reader know immediately that Cassia and Ky are at the heart of the book because instead of merely being told by Cassia (as "Matched" was), "Crossed" is told in alternating chapters by both Cassia and Ky. Cassia ventures something more dangerous and vulnerable, while readers become acquainted with the grim Ky who seeks to find out more about his true background, among the mysterious Anomalies, the only thing worse than being an Aberration, those who choose to flee away from the Society on purpose. "Eighty. Do you think it's worth it," someone asks them. "We have no choice, but to live nothing."

"Crossed" has the unenviable task of getting all the dramatic and expository pieces set for the grand finale, the yet untitled third book due in November 2012. In the process, a lot of stuff has to happen and so Cassia and Ky are swept up in the book's relentless dramatic currents. We learn a lot more about the Uprising but there are themes even more about what the Society is really up to. Cassia, who wants to join up with the rebels, risks all that she has to find Ky. "In that moment I realized that losing each other felt more dangerous—more like a rebellion—than anything else ever could." Cassia and Ky find themselves in an unexpected place due to a couple of late chapter revelations that hit the novel like blows to the solar plexus. "Crossed" ends with a wistful, ambiguous scene that is the saltiest cliffhanger you've seen.

A lot more questions are asked than answered with Cassia and Ky being put through their paces in "Crossed," as the book has just enough intrigue to keep its readers hoping Ally Condie has all the answers when the last chapter of the Matched trilogy arrives next year. But now, hang on and keep the red and blue tablets handy.

Available in paperback from National Book Store.

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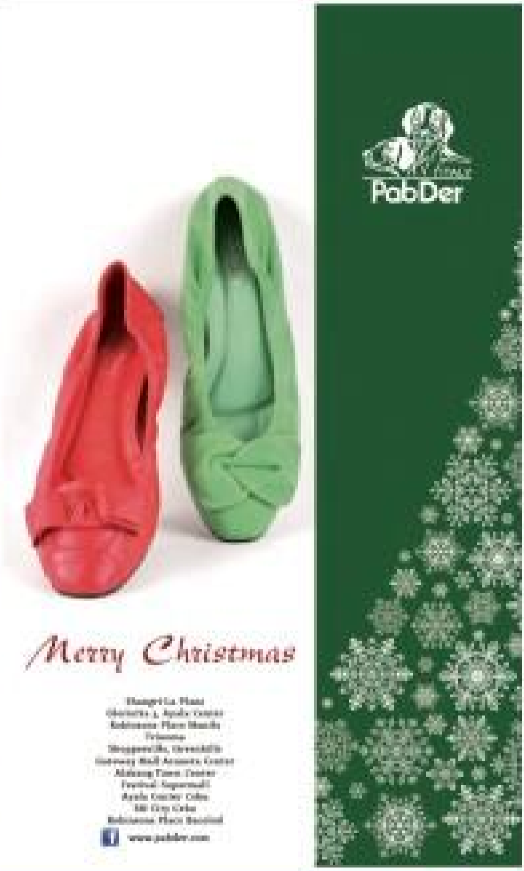
Suit up on all things festive and sparkly, as the season of merrymaking goes into full gear

Girls' night out

Christmas rock

Christmas chill



Red velvet

Ladies who lunch

Bring it on, 2012!

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From page F1

All in the family

Under the mistletoe

Not your ordinary *food stop*

Newfound energy is brewing in Barangay Kapitolyo, where Briggy Hall offers healthy food stops, breakfast, all-day dining – and an avenue for start-up entrepreneurs

UNICA hija
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Hair resurrected

Shampoo and conditioner remedy dry and brittle hair

BED HEAD'S Resurrection

Healthy hair

Style shots

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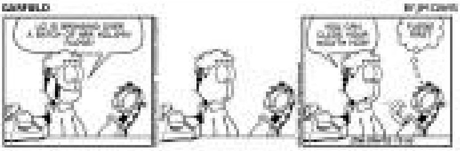

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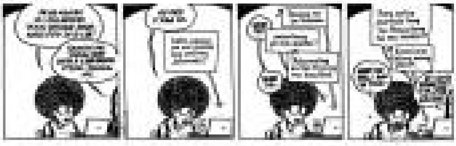

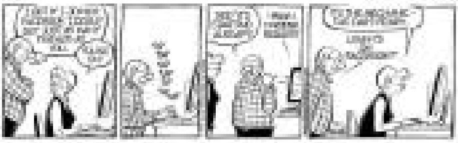

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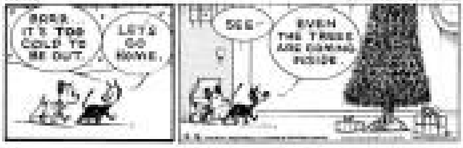

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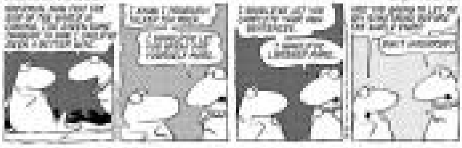

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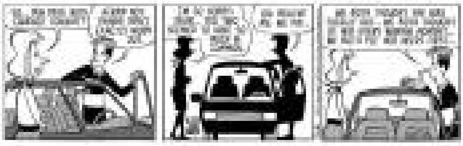

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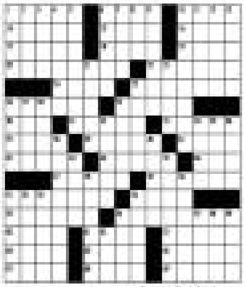
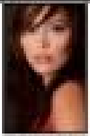


5 steps to get a faux sun-kissed sexy glow—despite the weather



BACKSTAGE PASS

Isabel Fleces

CHRISTMAS is fast approaching and the season's wet weather shouldn't dampen one's desire to look sexy cool. The best way to look scorching hot during the holiday parties is by sporting glimmering bronzed skin!

While there was probably a time in your life when you loved the sun and great outdoors, with long pages exposure to sun... cafés, theaters are the only light you're getting these days is from the fluorescent lamp above your desk. It's an ongoing give-and-take with the sun and hot weather hitting the country. Sometimes we get a lot of sun. And other days? Eh, not so much.

There's no denying makeup should be fun and uplifting come rain or shine, but that doesn't mean it has to be so difficult to apply. That's why I've once again turned to makeup maven Bianca Valerio, to show us how great makeup can, in fact, be done at home, and getting great bronzed skin can be done even without the sun.

Our subject, Trixie Reyes, spends her days cooped in the office but wishes she could light up a room with a golden glow just like Jlo in her "On the Floor" music video. To achieve her look, Bianca gives us five tips to achieve a faux sun-kissed sexy glow:

1. If you wish to have a slimmer, more toned face and physique, stick to matte bronzers or faux tanners. Shimmers only reflects light, therefore bringing out the areas you applied the product to and making them appear larger.

2. Apply bronzer (liquid, powder or spray) to exposed areas from neck, to arm and arms, even feet if you're wearing sexy open toed heels. Consistency is key.

3. Opt for a bronzer that has golden tones to look natural. Reddish or copper-toned bronzers are best on skin with pink undertones. Asians, like Filipinos, have golden undertones.

4. Go monochromatic with the eye shadow palette. Bronze, gold, warm taupes, browns, camels, nudes, chocolate and cream tones complement your skin's golden glow by adding depth.

5. If you've already got hyper-glimmering skin from shimmer or bronzers, tone down the glimmer of your lips for a balanced look. A nice velvety, satin lip color finish is more flattering and sophisticated.

When it comes to holiday makeup, "dolling yourself" up in the spirit of the season may take a toll on your skin. Piling on mounds of makeup clogs our pores, making it dry and hard for skin to breathe, thus causing breakouts days after.

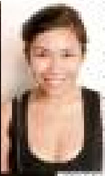
So, in between the festivities, let's not forget our beauty regimen. Try the newly released Neutrogena Hydro Boost line. Its intense hydration revitalizes dry and tired skin caused by moisture-snatchers that suck our skin dry during the holiday rush, with all its back-to-back Christmas celebrations, hours exposed to air-conditioning, unhealthy glamour, and smoking and drinking.

Hydrate and give your skin the boost it needs, and party with an irresistible bronzed look that will make the men light up faster than a Christmas tree.

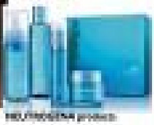
Try these

- Neutrogena Hydro Boost Mousse Cleanser: It cleanses and balances the skin's moisture level. The rich lather foams away impurities, while a special hydrating agent restores skin's natural moisture balance. For day and night use (150 ml P495.50)
- Neutrogena Hydro Boost Clear Lotion (Toner) immediately tones and refines skin without causing tightness. It gives you a shower of fresh hydration for a dewy complexion. Use after cleansing, both day and night (150 ml/P495)
- Neutrogena Hydro Boost Water Gel is purified Hyaluronic Acid and Olive Extract that continuously releases moisture to the skin's surface while boosting the skin cell's ability to retain water. For day and night use after Hydro Boost Clear Lotion (50 g/P850)
- Neutrogena Hydro Boost Essence is intensely moisturizing and deeply revitalizing. This rich essence has powerful hydration properties to keep skin plump, bouncy and supple. For day and night use, for those with very dehydrated skin. Use after the Clear Lotion and before the Water Gel (30 ml/P995)

Light up the holiday parties with sleek bronzed skin



TRIXIE Reyes, before (above) and after (left)



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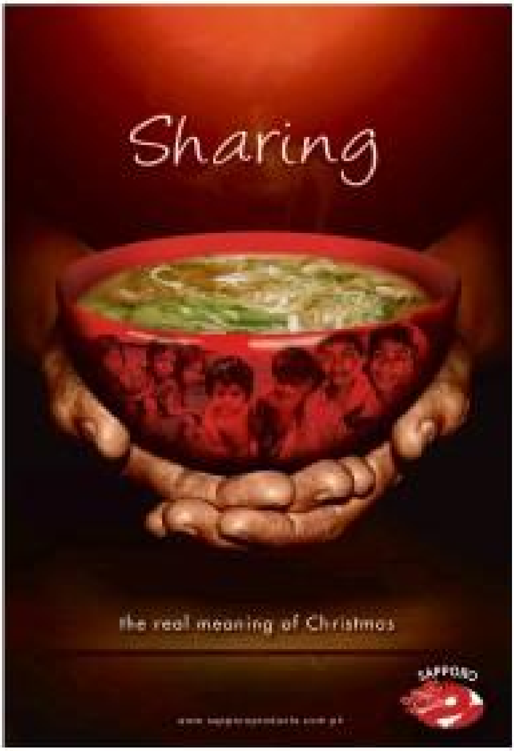

An SMDC home for Christmas

How to hide white eyebrow hairs with makeup

TRICKS OF THE TRADE

Kelly Misa

Eyebrow pencils take practice to draw on right

Eyebrow pencil

Brow powder or kit

Eyebrow mascara or gel

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Pillars of Philippine fashion

Chito Vijandre returns to fashion triumphantly. Cesar Gaupo and Philip Rodriguez reaffirm their strengths

By Larry Leviste

CHITO VIJANDRE'S reentry into the fashion scene after an absence of 25 years was nothing short of phenomenal. Here are his haute couture numbers shown at the Tribute to Slim's at 60 held at the recent Philippine Fashion Week. It was like Shanghai in the '30s, with Art Deco colors and geometric silhouettes; the colors were vivid in brocade, voiles, gold mesh; and the accessories echoed the treasures found in Vijandre's Firma, the very famous boutique.

PILLARS H6

VIJANDRE'S VIVID VICTORIANS

DOUBLE EXPOSURE. [illegible] Fashion Week.

BALIMBING SLEEVE

GEOMETRIC. [illegible]

ART DECO

GOLDEN LADY. Chito Vijandre's gold mesh [illegible]

BACK TO THE FUTURE

FULL METAL JACKET. [illegible] Chito Vijandre's fashion comeback after 25 years of absence.

BIRD OF PARADISE

VIJANDRE'S MASTERPIECE. [illegible]

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Rich Indian inspiration brings forth a Chanel collection that's 'somewhere between mysterious and rock 'n' roll'

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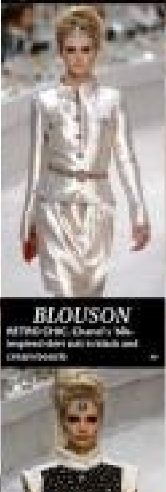

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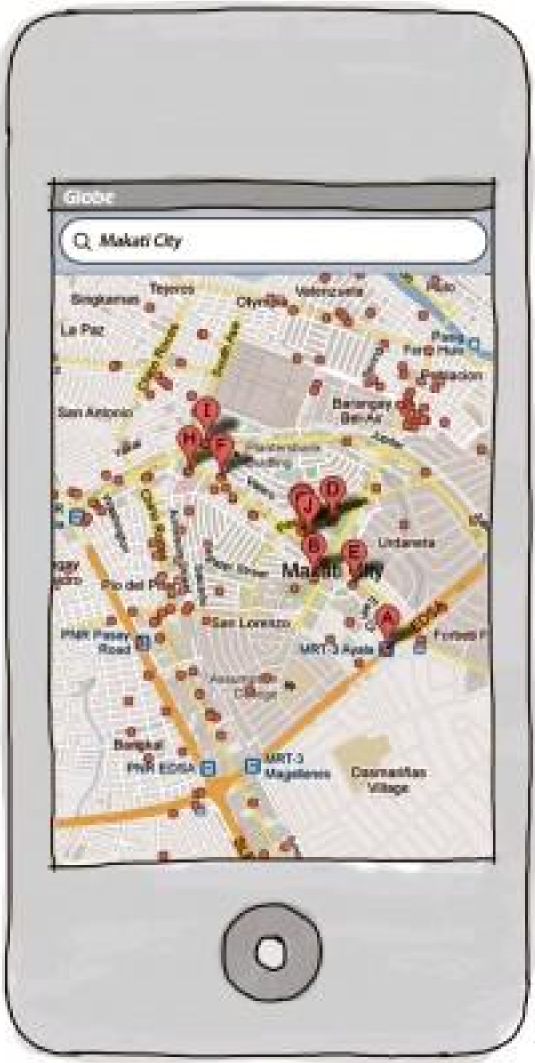

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Shopping Alley — A LIFESTYLE GUIDE

What's IN with corporate giveaways

Firmus Inc.

Cross Wings Marketing

By Joel V. Migue

Bags of all shapes, colors and sizes, tech-related products, personal accessories, tumblers, mugs, T-shirts, and small merchandise either for office or personal use, are the hit and the most in-demand items this season of giving, according to suppliers of these corporate giveaways who perhaps have already delivered most of these gift items to the companies that ordered them.

"Over the years, bags are our best-selling product due to its practical use. According to our clients, they get positive feedback from their customers. Many think that bags are very expensive, so once they receive it, customers really feel valued," shares Ann Lim Bautista, owner of Firmus Inc.

Bautista says that among the various bags that her company supplies, the promotional tote is the most saleable this year. Orders, she says, are usually given by companies at the start of the last quarter for delivery for the gift-giving Christmas season. Backpacks, traveling bags as well as sling bags are also popular.

"Orders are usually based on the budget of the client, which most often depends on the client's annual income," Bautista adds.

Cecille Lu, proprietor of Ask Trading also shares Bautista's experience. She adds that her company often customizes gift items to suit the client's budget.

Lu says that they usually have gift items that are for general consumption as well as the mid-level and VIPs.

"The difference lies in the materials that we use for the gift items. Of course, all of them are of good quality. Bags intended for the VIPs, for example, are usually made of genuine leather.

Bautista says: "We use alternative materials like poly canvas instead of twill to make it affordable. We can also lessen the number of pockets and zippers to make it more affordable."

Michael Chengbe, president and CEO of Cross Wings Marketing, says that despite budget constraints, they still make sure that the gift items are of good quality.

"We give our clients their needs for quality but fairly priced items and we give assurance to on-time delivery," he says.

Tech-related items such as USB, note pads, pens, pins, keys, ID holders, various kinds of bags-vanity bags, pouch bags, laptop bags, carry-all bags, shopping bags-also make it as the most in-demand giveaways this season.

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Assorted giveaway items from Ask Trading

Make a statement with unique gifts

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For great finds, there are choices aplenty at LRI Design Plaza, the urban design hub

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Christmas home decors

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One-of-a-kind Pinoy crafts

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Appliance warehouse sale offers up to 50% off

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A fashion insider's must-have the Forever 21 MasterCard

While trends come and go with the change of seasons, smart fashionistas take on one little accessory that enables them to get their hands on the latest on-trend designs—the Forever 21 MasterCard.

Launched in May this year, the new co-brand credit card issued by BDO offers an array of card benefits and features unique only to Forever 21 MasterCard cardholders:

•Special Rewards Program

Cardholders earn three times more Rewards Points when they shop at Forever 21 stores in the Philippines. Cardholders get 3 peso points for every P200 spent in Forever 21 and 1 peso point for every P200 spent at other stores. Cardholders can use their points to shop for at Forever 21.

•Preferential treatment during sale events and special offers

Cardholders enjoy priority access to every Forever 21 sale and learn about special offers before everyone else. In addition, cardholders enjoy additional discounts on regular items and sale items rebate for a minimum spend of P5,000 on their card during BDO's Day Sale season.

•Insider perks

Cardholders receive invites to exclusive Forever 21 shopping parties and store events to receive exclusive previews of the hottest fashion. Cardholders also get a special treat on their birthday.

•Global recognition

Under the MasterCard brand, the Forever 21 MasterCard can be used in over 32.7 million locations across more than 210 countries and territories wherever MasterCard is accepted.

One of the factors that make the Forever 21 brand so successful is the ability of the company to democratize fashion that is fresh from the runways and seen on celebrities at reasonable price points, to the delight of discerning fashionistas worldwide for over 2 decades. And now, shopping at Forever 21 is made more rewarding with the Forever 21 MasterCard. "Forever 21 MasterCard can keep up with today's young and trendy Filipinos with exciting privileges that complement their active and stylish lifestyles," says Ms. Ramonita R. Fegala, who is head of BDO Consumer Lending Group Marketing. "Through this new card, we are able to provide our cardholders with members-only rewards exclusively."

"Take the fashion high road with Forever 21 MasterCard by visiting any Forever 21 store as well as BDO branches within Metro Manila. The application forms can also be downloaded at www.bdo.com.ph or call BDO Customer Contact Center at 631-8000 for more information.

Vans Denim Holiday Shopping Guide

This is the season to be jolly and to SHOP!

The must have for this season, VANS DENIMS.

Check out the Denims Collection

Vans Denim Jeans For Men

V66 SLIM

One-size-fits-most: not too skinny and not too baggy. 99% Cotton and 1% Elastane V66 Slim Fit Denim got that Vintage Vans DNA shoe-box inspired label pack including "Customade for You" interior waistband screen print and "The Original Since 1966" ticking tape on coin pocket. Assorted washes available are Vintage Wash and Dark Indigo. Sizes available for all washes are 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36.

V76 SKINNY

Denim that isn't so tight that it looks painted on, yet it's a comfortably fitting and a wearable skinny jeans. Low rise, tight fit, tapered leg with a 14" leg opening makes it really comfortable yet tight enough for your legs. Available wash for V76 Skinny is the Overdye Black with sizes available in 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34.

V86 STRAIGHT

Built for comfort and an easy wear, this relaxed fit is regular rise and straight leg with 18" Leg opening. The V86 Straight is available in Dark Age wash with sizes in 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 36, 38.

Vans Denim For Women

BRENNAN SKINNY FIT

Slim in the hips and thighs, and tapered in the ankle, the Brennan Skinny fit hugs your shape and works with both your staples and statement pieces. Pair it up with your basics, spice it up or dress it down, you'd definitely still rock it. Available washes are Bristol and Black-out with sizes in 0(24), 1(25), 3(26), 5(27), 7(28), 9(29).

BENNIE DENIM SHORT (Destroyed)

Whether you're skating with friends or just hanging out, you're going to love the Bennie Denim Short. Its 100% Cotton fabric makes for a comfortable wear. Distressed and faded accents give this a worn-outlook that's sure to be a hit. It has a belt loop waist, buttoned front closure with zip fly, front hand pockets with semi-concealed coin pocket and back patch pockets. Sizes available are 0(24), 1(25), 3(26), 5(27), 7(28).

GOLDEN COAST DENIM SKIRT (Destroyed)

No matter where you're from, you can show everyone that you're actually a California girl at heart by rocking this Golden Coast Denim Skirt. Its 100% Cotton makes it a comfortable wear. It has a elt loop waist, buttoned front closure with zip fly and front hand pockets with semi-concealed coin pocket. Back patch pockets with Vans embroidery and back right pocket. Distressed edging at hem add up to that great style of this skirt. Available sizes are 0(24), 1(25), 3(26), 5(27), 7(28).

Get your very own pair of VANS DENIM by visiting any of their Concept stores now. Vans Concept Stores are located at: GLORIETTA 3, GREENBELT 3, ROBINSONS PLACE MANILA, ROBINSONS GALLERIA, TRINOMA, MARQUEE MALL PAMPANGA , AYALA CEBU, J CENTRE CEBU, ABREEZA DAVAO and ROBINSONS BACOLOD.

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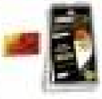

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Women's Bikila

End-to-end e-commerce platform

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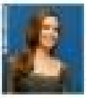

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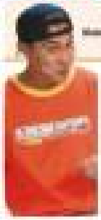
■ Angelina Jolie driven to tears Hollywood /J6



JOSE Manalo

WISHLIST

Janice de Belen

Jose Manalo

Two takes on Gerald Anderson

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Nude sketch of Lady Gaga up for auction

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Two takes…

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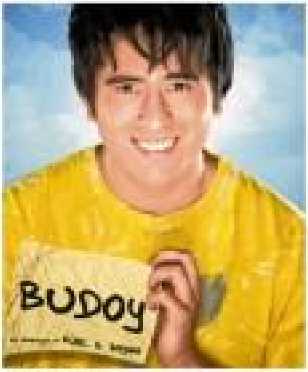
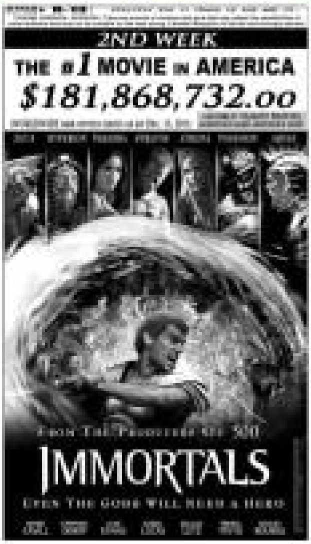
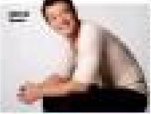
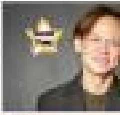




Free holiday shows at Eastwood Mall,





Venice Piazza

Angelina Jolie confesses she broke down, worried that her directorial debut 'failed'

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD
Ruben V. Nepales

Comedy rules in 59th Famas awards

ALBERT Martinez, best director

Ai Ai de las Alas, best actress

NORA Aunor, Lifetime Achievement awardee

JOHN Lloyd Cruz, best actor

Other distinctions

Rattling and rolling with Jerrold

JERROLD Tarog and Louise de los Reyes on the set of "Parola"

Indie director's dream is to make an anti-horror film

'Filipinos can really draw,' says cable network exec

LADY Gaga Presents The Monster Ball Tour: At Madison Square Garden

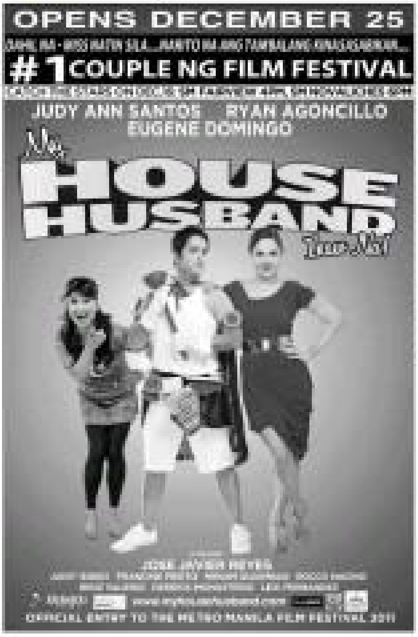
Biggest stories

Lady Gaga concert

Pop marathon

JUSTIN Bieber in "Pop Stars"

‘Filipinos can really draw,’ says cable network exec



By Olive H. Pelenpacio
Contributor

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Discoveries

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SILAS Hickey: "Not everyone here is art schools here?"

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Snapzoom

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ENTERTAINMENT

What the stars are most grateful for, as another year ends

Bayani Agbayani
Comedian

"This is in English, but I will try my best to do my English. For this year, I thank God for giving me a healthy and happy family as well. And for giving me raket (gigs) here and abroad. In short, God always provides me with blessings to support my family, especially now that I have no regular show. I should stop now because my nose is bleeding. Salamat po. Maligayang Pasko!"

Bea Binene
Actress

"I appreciate all the shows that GMA 7 has given me. I am thankful for all the blessings, for my family, for my sister who gives me happiness, and my fans for the support."

Karen Davila
News anchor

"I feel nostalgic about Christmas and New Year, when I really reflect on my choices and experiences, and try to break unhealthy cycles. It's not easy, of course. I am grateful that my family is healthy. I am thankful for my job, my home with work and my closest circle of friends."

Jerome Gamboa
Actor

"I am thankful for everything... from the salary and good health of my loved ones to all the blessings I received this entire past year."

CHEER FACTOR

BAYANI Agbayani

BEA Binene

KAREN Davila

What the stars...

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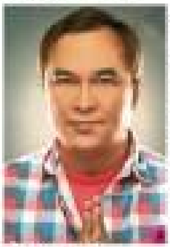
JORDAN Bandoy



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JAG, SHE'S IT!

LINDSAY LOHAN

SHOWS OFF IN JAG JEANS

JAG Jeans unleashes the most intriguing celebrity fashion endorser to date, THE Lindsay Lohan.

Towering above the busiest spots in EDSA, Lindsay Lohan flaunts her larger-than-life persona (on and off cam) garbed in JAG's raw, rebellious, and remarkably well-constructed denim jeans as all Manila took notice. Some saw the boldest fashion move to date. Lohan fans went viral, and style-watchers think it's a grand meeting of kindred souls.

HOLLYWOOD BAD GIRL

Lindsay Lohan started acting at age 10, embarking on a roller-coaster ride of Disney films, recording contracts, and tons of Hollywood gossip rag covers. What was once a little charmer of girly saccharine features who has been a twin, a mean girl, a teenage drama queen, and a world-renowned Herbie racer, now became the cover girl for superstar excess—filled with red-carpet entrances and quite a lot of red-faced exits.

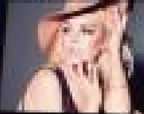
Yet, despite Lindsay Lohan's comings and goings, she has evolved from being Hollywood's IT princess to the global icon of breaking the boundaries of celebrity status. Just this month, while she displays juvenile decadence in denim atop Manila skylines for the holidays, she is also gracing the newsstands as International Playboy Magazine's December cover. LiLo (as Lohan is commonly known in the Hollywood circles) fits nicely with controversy as if it were a pair of JAG skinny jeans.

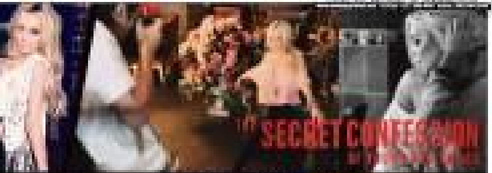
Just as Lindsay Lohan has mastered the art of defiant reinvention, JAG Jeans have built on a style status of straightforward hard-wearing reputation rather than fleeting manufactured image. For decades, JAG has been the denim of choice for the innovative and revolutionary Filipino youth who are not afraid of individuality and creative expression, often wearing their JAG denims out with life's various rips and tears. Known especially for their durable denims and enduring designs, JAG's long roster of endorsers vary from the renegade to the rebellious, the wild and the wilful, all displaying the brand's long-standing tradition of earnest, fresh and unapologetic brand integrity.

So now, people should stop wondering how Lindsay Lohan got her groove backing up in a pair of ultra-tight JAGs. Or why JAG snagged Hollywood's hottest headliner as its endorser? Like a fit of a good pair of jeans, one can't get a little tight without going full of the field.

THE COLLECTION

JAG

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FRIDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2011

ALBAY ELECTRIC COOPERATIVE, INC.

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The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of **CYBER BAY CORPORATION** will be held on 21 December 2011 at 2:00 p.m. at the [illegible] Country Club. Only stockholders of record at the close of business on 11 November 2011 are entitled to vote at this meeting.

The waiver of the conduct of a rights or public offering will be sought from the minority stockholders in connection with the listing of the following shares with the Philippine Stock Exchange (Exchange) after the approval of the issuance of said shares by the Securities and Exchange Commission (Commission):

a. [illegible] common shares with par value of Php 1.00 per share;
b. [illegible] preferred shares with par value of Php0.10 per share.

The issuance of the above-mentioned shares have been approved and ratified by the Stockholders during the Annual Stockholders' Meeting held on 26 November 2010.

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR WITHDRAWAL OF LICENSE OF KELLOGG ASIA MARKETING, INC.'S BRANCH OFFICE

Notice is hereby given that on April 28, 2011, the Board of Directors of Kellogg Asia Marketing, Inc. ("KAM Inc.") resolved to apply for the withdrawal of the license of its branch office in the Philippines. The said application will be filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission.

All persons having just claims against KAM Inc.'s branch office are requested to submit the same to Mr. Armando Cledera at 11/F Net Cube Center, 3rd Avenue corner 30th Street, E-Square Zone, Bonifacio Global City, Taguig City.

This announcement will serve as notice to all parties concerned of the abovementioned application for the withdrawal of the license of KAM Inc.'s branch office.

(Sgd.) Armando Cledera
Resident Agent

CHRISTMAS TIME AT TUTUBAN COMMERCIAL CENTER

There is no doubt that Christmas 2011 is just around the corner as Tutuban Commercial Center, the country's popular bargain shopping hub right at the heart of historic Tondo in Manila, held its traditional Christmas Tree lighting ceremony at the Open Parking area. The breezy and slightly cool night air was filled with anticipation and excitement as the choir sang beautiful Christmas carols and the increasing number of people that surrounded the 35-foot Christmas tree. And as the countdown ended and when the glittering lights were finally turned on, loud cheers came from the hordes of shoppers who eagerly awaited the actual lighting of the Christmas tree, now a most anticipated event at Tutuban Commercial Center. Shown (from left) are [illegible], assistant vice president for business development, sales and marketing, Prime Orion Philippines Inc.; Mardo Del Rosario, ABS-CBN actor; [illegible], assistant vice president for mall operations, Tutuban Properties Inc.; Jason Fernandez, lead vocalist of the band [illegible]; [illegible], leasing manager, Tutuban Properties Inc.

Republic of the Philippines
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INVITATION TO BID

PROCUREMENT OF THIRTY-FIVE (35) BRANDED DESKTOP COMPUTERS WITH UPS; PROJECT NO. CTABAC-1-2011-05

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Republic of the Philippines
DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT
Regional Office No. IV-A

NOTICE OF FILING OF APPLICATION FOR ALIEN EMPLOYMENT PERMIT (AEP)

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SECOND INVITATION TO APPLY FOR ELIGIBILITY AND TO BID

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Republic of the Philippines
Province of Rizal
Municipality of Laos

INVITATION TO BID FOR THE PROCUREMENT OF ONE UNIT BRAND NEW DUMP TRUCK

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REPUBLIKA NG PILIPINAS
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PANGASIWAAN SA PATALAAN NG LUPAIN
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LRA CIRCULAR NO. -35- 2011

SUBJECT: IMPLEMENTATION AND USE OF PARCEL VERIFICATION AND CERTIFICATION SERVICES USING THE PHILIPPINE LAND REGISTRATION AND INFORMATION SYSTEM IN THE REGISTRIES OF DEEDS.

1.Purpose and Coverage: This Circular is issued for the purpose of prescribing applicable rules, fees, and procedures for the implementation and use of the Philippine Land Registration and Information System ("PHILARIS" or "the System") in providing Parcel Verification and Certification Services in the Offices of the Register of Deeds ("RD" or "RDs") of the Land Registration Authority ("LRA").

2.Definition of Terms: For purposes of this Implementing Guidelines, the following terms or words and phrases shall mean or be understood as follows:

a. "Plan" - shall mean the generated output resulting from the procedure provided.

All other terms or words and phrases herein indicated shall have the same meanings as ascribed in previous published Circulars and Guidelines of this Authority (i.e., Implementing Guidelines on Electronic Registration of Chattel Mortgage and Other Personal Properties, which was published on January 17, 2009; Implementing Guidelines on Electronic Recording of Transactions on Unregistered Land, which was published on January 17, 2009; Implementing Guidelines on Electronic Registration of Land Titles and Deeds, which was published on July 5, 2009; and the Amendment to the Implementing Guidelines on Electronic Registration of Chattel Mortgage and Other Personal Properties, Electronic Recording of Transactions on Unregistered Land, and Electronic Registration of Land Titles and Deeds, which was published on February 1, 2011).

3.General Procedures: The following procedures for providing Parcel Verification and Certification Services shall be observed in the Registry of Deeds:

a. The client shall submit a request and all basic information from documents received supporting the request shall be entered into the Electronic Primary Entry Book for Certified True Copy, Certification and Verification ("EPEB-CCV"). The date, hour and minute of reception of the request shall likewise be noted. The request shall be automatically assigned with an entry number as its control or reference number.

b. The corresponding fees shall be automatically computed by the system and the corresponding receipt generated upon payment. In default of payment, the entry made in the EPEB-CCV shall be rendered of no force and effect.

c. The System shall check the database for the existence of the Certificate of Title subject of the request. For manually-issued titles, the Records Officer shall validate and verify as against the original on file if the technical description is accurately encoded and the System thereafter generates the corresponding polygon.

d. If there are errors in the technical description of the Certificate of Title subject of the request, such errors shall be provided in the printed output.

e. All Plans shall be printed on the officially-prescribed controlled form used for transactions covered by the EPEB-CCV.

f. A signature shall not be required on the printed output, and shall contain the following notation:

"This is a computerized interpretation and graphical presentation of the lot description of the parcel/s as appearing on the title as of <date>, and does not require a manually affixed signature.

This should not be construed as a verification and relocation survey. This is for reference only."

g. The Plan shall be released to the client who shall sign the acknowledgement slip generated by the system.

4.Included Information: The Plan shall include the following data:

a. Title Information (i.e., Title Number, Owner's Name, Plan/Block/Lot Number, location of the subject parcel, and area);

b. Cartographic and technical details (i.e., Map Scale to be shown both graphically and as a representative fraction, North Arrow, Lot Description, Linear Error of Closure, Relative Error of Closure, and the computed area based on the encoded technical description); and

c. Report on errors, when applicable.

5.Amendment: This Implementing Guidelines may be amended by the agency from time to time.

6.Separability Clause: If any provision in this Implementing Guidelines, or application of such provision to any circumstance, is declared invalid or unconstitutional, the other provisions not affected thereby shall remain valid and subsisting.

7.Repealing Clause: All orders, guidelines, circulars, rules and regulations inconsistent herewith are hereby repealed or amended accordingly.

8.Effectivity: This Circular shall take effect after fifteen (15) days from its publication in a newspaper of general circulation, and the filing of three (3) copies hereof with the University of the Philippines Law Center.

Approved by:

EULALIO C. DIAZ III
Administrator

Jubilee Christian Academy celebrates 45th Foundation Day

Pag-IBIG's anniversary celebrated in all SM stores

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DEPARTMENT OF ENERGY

ADOPTING FURTHER AMENDMENTS TO THE WESM RULES (WESM RULES SECTION 3.14.6 SETTLEMENT REVISIONS)

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ADOPTING FURTHER AMENDMENTS TO THE WESM RULES (WESM RULES SECTION 5.2 MARKET AUDIT)

PNOC SHIPPING AND TRANSPORT CORPORATION

INVITATION TO SUBMIT OFFER FOR PROTECTION & INDEMNITY (P&I) INSURANCE FOR PSTC TANKERS

Tita Puangco awarded PSTD WLP Leader Extraordinaire

DOE holds 29th Abello Awards

BISHOP LEO DRONA VISITS THE ACADEMY OF HOPE

Rizal High School Batch '90 Christmas Party 2011

JOVITA KATIGBAK TEMPLO-CADIZ

Peacefully joined our Lord on 11 December 2011 at the age of 94.

COL. ANTONIO HABULAN, SR. (RET)

Angelita Palanca Mina

Peacefully joined our Lord on December 14, 2011 at the age of 75 after receiving the last sacrament.

We shall always cherish the memory of her kindness wherever she is, wherever she goes, whether in this world or on the other.

Her mortal remains lie in state at La Funeraria Paz-Sucat, Bauhinia Chapel, inside Manila Memorial Park, Sucat, Parañaque City.

Interment will be on Saturday, December 17, 2011 at 2:00 p. m. at the Palanca Family Mausoleum at La Loma Cemetery, Caloocan City.

REV. MSGR. CONRADO N. REYNOSO

People, Events & Products

The Manor at Camp John Hay bags labor award

PNP implements new testing protocol for firearms bidding

QNAP, Symform offer free Cloud back-up

Ideal Gourmet Lasagna recipes for Xmas

CDC Holdings offers 5-15-80 promo for Lions Park